Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 17 Nov 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 18 Nov 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 16 Nov 2022 at 11:16 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for mostly unsettled and often windy conditions over next few days but a brief window of drier, brighter weather on Saturday.

Headline for Thursday 17 Nov 2022: Rather cloudy with showers, most frequent and turning heavier in east. Becoming windy and feeling bitterly cold on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 17 Nov 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	30%	40%	50%	50%	50%	60%

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Weather: Rather cloudy with showers, most frequent in the east of area and becoming heavier and prolonged in the afternoon. Showers will be wintry over highest tops. Fewer and lighter showers over western ranges such as Creag Meagaidh and the Monadhliath Mountains.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% best in west of area.

Low cloud and visibility: Mostly good visibility in west of area and between showers in east. Clouds will be extensive about 700 to 800m although above the tops at times in west. Clouds will come lower down the hills in east as showers turn more frequent with occasionally poor visibility.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	24/31 SE	23/31 SE	22/30 SE	30/41 SE	33/45 E	36/48 E	31/43 E	30/40 E	29/40 E
900	18/23 SE	17/22 SE	17/22 SE	25/33 SE	29/39 E	32/41 E	31/40 E	24/33 E	26/35 E
600	7/11 N	7/11 E	9/14 E	13/20 E	18/27 E	19/29 E	20/30 E	15/23 E	17/26 E
300	4/8 E	3/6 SE	4/10 E	7/18 E	10/24 E	10/23 E	10/23 E	9/20 E	9/21 E
Glen	2/8 NE	2/7 E	2/7 NE	3/15 E	5/19 E	5/18 E	4/17 E	3/16 E	4/16 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-8	-0/-8	-1/-8	0/-8	-0/-8	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10
900	2/-3	2/-3	2/-3	3/-3	3/-4	2/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6
600	4/1	4/2	4/1	5/2	5/0	4/-1	3/-2	3/-2	3/-2
300	5/3	4/3	5/4	6/4	7/4	6/3	5/2	5/2	5/2
Glen	4/4	4/3	4/4	6/5	8/6	7/5	6/4	5/4	6/4
Freezing Level*	1200m	1300m	1300m	1400m	1300m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Walking conditions will become difficult over higher parts with strengthening winds, temperatures close to freezing and showers breaking out.

Forecast for Friday 18 Nov 2022
Weather: Cloudy with further outbreaks of rain, most persistent and heavy at times in east of area. Sleet possible on highest tops. Rain will become light and patchy during evening with drier weather developing.

Maximum wind: Easterly winds with average speeds of 25 to 30mph and gusts 45mph on the tops, gradually easing during afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%, most likely in west of area.

Low cloud and visibility: Often misty conditions with extensive cloud cover about 600 to 700m and some patches lower down. Pockets of good visibility, more especially in west of area with clouds higher up the hills at times.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1300m.

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